

REPORTS ANALYSIS REFERRAL

TO

OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

DATE:

July 17, 2000

ANALYST: Lucy J. Denny

I. COMMITTEE:

New Jersey State Laborers' Political Action

Committee/Laborers' Political League (NJSLPAC)

(C00214643)

Robert S. Garrison, Treasurer (March 30, 2000 -

Present)

Frank Sorge, Treasurer (April 27, 1987 - March 30,

2000)

104 Interchange Plaza, Suite 301

Cranbury, NJ 08512*

II. RELEVANT STATUTE:

2 U.S.C. §434(a)(4)(A)(iv)

11 CFR §104.5(c)(2)(B)

III. BACKGROUND:

Failure to Timely File the 1999 Year End Report

The New Jersey State Laborers' Political Action Committee/Laborers' Political League (NJSLPAC) ("the Committee") failed to timely file the 1999 Year End Report of Receipts and Disbursements covering the period from July 1, 1999 to December 31, 1999. On December 30, 1998 and December 29, 1999, Prior Notices were sent to the Committee informing it that the 1999 Year End Report was due on January 31, 2000 (Attachments 2 & 3). A Non-Filer Notice was sent to the Committee via mailgram on February 24, 2000 (Attachment 4).

^{*}Mr. Garrison apparently became Treasurer prior to this date. On February 18, 2000, he told the RAD analyst that he had been elected to the position; however, the Committee did not file an amended Statement of Organization at that time. It first notified the Commission of this in writing with the filing of its 1999 Year End Report. The mailgram was sent to the correct address at the time of its mailing.

NEW JERSEY STATE LABORERS' PAC/LABORERS' POL LEAGUE (NJSLPAC) REPORTS ANALYSIS OGC REFERRAL PAGE 2

On February 18, 2000, Mr. Robert Garrison, Treasurer, called the Reports Analysis Division ("RAD") analyst. The call originally concerned a few general reporting questions, but turned to the 1999 Year End Report. Mr. Garrison recognized that the 1999 Year End Report was late and explained that the previous treasurer, Mr. Frank Sorge, was ill for some time and eventually died. He stated that he had been elected the new treasurer, but found that Mr. Sorge had fallen behind on the 1999 Year End filing. The RAD analyst advised Mr. Garrison to file the 1999 Year End Report as soon as possible and to amend the Committee's Statement of Organization to change the treasurer. The analyst also suggested Mr. Garrison write a cover memo explaining the circumstances surrounding the late filing (Attachment 5).

After not receiving the report by March 20, 2000, the RAD analyst called Mr. Garrison again to remind him to file the 1999 Year End Report. Mr. Garrison said he would have the report ready with an amended Statement of Organization by March 22, 2000 (Attachment 6).

The RAD analyst attempted to contact Mr. Garrison again on March 29, 2000 to inform him the Commission still had not received the Committee's 1999 Year End Report. Mr. Garrison was not available, so the analyst left a message reminding him that if the Commission did not receive the report, legal action would be taken (Attachment 7). On March 30, 2000, Mr. Garrison left a message on the RAD analyst's voicemail, stating that the report was ready to send and to expect it shortly. The analyst returned his call on April 3, 2000. Mr. Garrison stated that the report was mailed on March 31 or April 1, 2000 (Attachment 8).

The Committee filed the 1999 Year End Report on April 3, 2000. With the report, Mr. Garrison attached a cover letter explaining the circumstances surrounding the late filing (Attachment 9).

1999-2000 COMMITTEE ENDEY OF DISCLOSURE DOCUMENTS - (C) **EMHITTEE** DOCUMENT RECEIPTS DISBURSEMENTS

IMAGE

COVERAGE DATES PAGES LOCATION

Attachment # 1

NEW JERSEY STATE LABORERS' POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE/LABORERS' POLITICAL LEAGUE (NJSLPAC)ID #C00214643 NON-PARTY QUALIFIED

ECTED ORGANIZATION: LABORERS' INT'L UNION O	F NORTH AMERICA			•	
1999 MID-YEAR REPORT	321,577		244,542	1JAN99 -30JUN9	9 24 99FEC/472/4351
YEAR-END	395,997		367,785	1JUL99 -31DEC99	39 20FEC/539/0250
NOTICE OF FAILURE TO FILE				1JUL99 -31DEC99	2 20FEC/531/4657
2000 STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION - AMENDMEN	T			3APR00	1 20FEC/539/2798
APRIL QUARTERLY	190,743		141,814	1JANOO -31MARO	18 20FEC/549/4172
TOTAL	908.317	Ð	754.141	0	84 TOTAL PAGES

All Reports have been reviewed except April Quarterly.

Cash on hand as of 3/31/00: \$ 538,320.51

Debts owed to committee: \$ 0.00 \$ 0.00 Debts owed by committee:

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

PARTIES AND PACS

December 30, 1998

WHO MUST FILE

Party Committees and PACs (Nonconnected Committees and Separate Segregated Funds) must file a Year-End Report.

QUARTERLY AND MONTHLY FILERS

		REG./CERT.		
		MAILING	FILING	
REPORT	REPORTING PERIOD*	DATE**	DATE	
Year-End	11/24/98 - 12/31/98	01/31/99	01/31/99	

LABEL

Committees should affix the peel-off label from the envelope to line 1 of the report. Corrections should be made on the label.

CHANGE IN FILING FREQUENCY

Committees wishing to change their reporting schedule (for example, from monthly to quarterly) must notify the Commission in writing when they file their next report due under their current reporting schedule. Committees may change their filing frequencies no more than once per calendar year.

ELECTRONIC FILING

Political committees have the option of filing electronically. If you are interested in this option, review the enclosed handout entitled "Electronic Filing of Disclosure Reports," and call the Data Division at (800) 424-9530 or (202) 694-1250.

COMPLIANCE

Treasurers of political committees are responsible for filing all reports on time. Failure to do so is subject to enforcement action. Committees filing illegible reports or using non-FEC forms (except for FEC approved computer generated forms) will be required to refile.

^{*}These dates indicate the beginning and the end of the reporting period. A reporting period always begins the day after the closing date of the last report filed. If the committee is new and has not previously filed a report, the first report must cover all activity that occurred before the committee registered.

^{**} Reports sent by registered or certified mail must be postmarked by the mailing date; otherwise, they must be received by the filing date.





Year-End

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I. SEMIANNUAL FILERS

		REG./CERT.		
		MAILING	FILING	
REPORT	REPORTING PERIOD*	DATE**	DATE	
Mid-Year	01/01/99 - 06/30/99	07/31/99	07/31/99	
Year-End	07/01/99 - 12/31/99	01/31/00	01/31/00	

II. MONTHLY FILERS

		REG./CERT.	
	•	MAILING	FILING
REPORT	REPORTING PERIOD*	DATE**	DATE
February	01/01/99 - 01/31/99	02/20/99	02/20/99
March	02/01/99 - 02/28/99	03/20/99	03/20/99
April	03/01/99 - 03/31/99	04/20/99	04/20/99
May	04/01/99 - 04/30/99	05/20/99	05/20/99
June	05/01/99 - 05/31/99	06/20/99	06/20/99
July	06/01/99 - 06/30/99	07/20/99	07/20/99
August	07/01/99 - 07/31/99	08/20/99	08/20/99
September	08/01/99 - 08/31/99	09/20/99	09/20/99
October	09/01/99 - 09/30/99	10/20/99	10/20/99
November	10/01/99 - 10/31/99	11/20/99	11/20/99
December	11/01/99 - 11/30/99	12/20/99	12/20/99
Year-End	12/01/99 - 12/31/99	01/31/00	01/31/00

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REPORT NOTICE

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

PARTIES AND PACS

December 29, 1999

WHO MUST FILE

Party committees and PACs (Nonconnected Committees and Separate Segregated Funds) must file a Year-End Report on January 31, 2000.

<u>I. Semi-annual Filers</u>

		REG./CERT.	
•	_	MAILING	FILING
REPORT	REPORTING PERIOD ¹	DATE ²	DATE
Year-End	07/01/99 - 12/31/99	÷ ~01/31/00	01/31/00

II. Monthly Filers

•		REG./CERT.	
REPORT	REPORTING PERIOD	MAILING DATE ²	FILING DATE
Year-End	12/01/99 - 12/31/99	01/31/00	01/31/00

LABEL

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COMPLIANCE

Treasurers of political committees are responsible for the accuracy of all reports and for filing all reports on time. Treasurers may be subject to enforcement action if reports are not filed timely or reports are inaccurate. Committees filing illegible reports or using non-FEC forms (except for FEC approved computer generated forms) will be required to refile.

ELECTRONIC FILING

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²Reports sent by registered or certified mail must be postmarked by the mailing date; otherwise, they must be received by the filing date.

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2000 FILING SCHEDULE

I. QUARTERLY FILERS

		REG./CERT.	
REPORT	REPORTING PERIOD ¹	MAILING DATE ²	FILING DATE
April Quarterly	01/01/00 - 03/31/00	04/15/00	04/15/00 ³
July Quarterly	04/01/00 - 06/30/00	07/15/00	$07/15/00^3$
October Quarterly	07/01/00 - 09/30/00	10/15/00	$10/15/00^3$
Pre-General	10/01/00 - 10/18/00	10/23/00	10/26/00
Post-General	10/19/00 - 11/27/00	12/07/00	12/07/00
Year-End	11/28/00 - 12/31/00	01/31/01	01/31/01

II. MONTHLY FILERS

		REG./CERT.	
		MAILING	FILING
REPORT	REPORTING PERIOD ¹	DATE ²	DATE
February	01/01/00 - 01/31/00	02/20/00	$02/20/00^3$
March	02/01/00 - 02/29/00	03/20/00	03/20/00
April	03/01/00 - 03/31/00	04/20/00	04/20/00
May	04/01/00 - 04/30/00	05/20/00	$05/20/00^3$
June	05/01/00 - 05/31/00	06/20/00	06/20/00
July	06/01/00 - 06/30/00	07/20/00	07/20/00
August	07/01/00 - 07/31/00	08/20/00	$08/20/00^3$
September	08/01/00 - 08/31/00	09/20/00	09/20/00
October	09/01/00 - 09/30/00	10/20/00	10/20/00
Pre-General	10/01/00 - 10/18/00	10/23/00	10/26/00
Post-General	10/19/00 - 11/27/00	12/07/00	12/07/00
Year-End	11/28/00 - 12/31/00	01/31/01	01/31/01

PRE-ELECTION REPORTING

Committees which make contributions or expenditures (including independent expenditures) in connection with an election must also file a Pre-Election Report, if the activity was not previously reported. See the January 2000 Record.

24 HOUR REPORT ON INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES

Any Party Committee or PAC that makes independent expenditures in connection with an election may have to file a 24 hour report. This reporting requirement is triggered if the committee makes independent expenditures aggregating \$1,000 or more after the 20th day, but more than 24 hours, before the day of the election. This report is not required when a Party Committee or PAC makes a contribution directly to a candidate.

These dates indicate the beginning and the end of the reporting period. A reporting period always begins the day after the closing date of the last report filed. If the committee is new and has not previously filed a report, the first report must cover all activity that occurred before the committee registered.

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FOR INFORMATION, CALL: (800) 424-9530 or (202) 694-1100

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TO:FRANK SORGE
NEW JERSEY STATE LABORERS* PAC
104 INTERCHANGE PLZ # 301
CRANBURY NJ 08831-2038

Attachment # 4

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION SHAWN WERTH 999 E ST. NW. WASHINGTON DC 204630001

FEBRUARY 24, 2000

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00214643

REFERENCE: YEAR-END REPORT (07/01/1999 - 12/31/1999)

DEAR TREASURER:

IT HAS COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION THAT YOU MAY HAVE FAILED TO FILE THE ABOVE REFERENCED REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES AS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN ACT, AS AMENDED. YOU WERE PREVIOUSLY NOTIFIED OF THE DUE DATE FOR THIS REPORT.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU FILE THIS REPORT IMMEDIATELY WITH THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, 999 E STREET, N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C., 20463. A COPY OF THE REPORT OR RELEVANT PORTIONS SHOULD ALSO BE FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE OR EQUIVALENT STATE OFFICER, UNLESS THE STATE IS EXEMPT FROM A FEDERAL REQUIREMENT TO RECEIVE AND MAINTAIN PAPER COPIES.

ALTHOUGH THE COMMISSION MAY INITIATE AN AUDIT OR LEGAL ENFORCEMENT ACTION CONCERNING THIS MATTER, YOUR PROMPT RESPONSE AND A LETTER OF EXPLANATION WILL BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER, PLEASE CONTACT LUCY DENNY ON OUR TOLL FREE NUMBER (800)424-9530. OUR LOCAL NUMBER IS (202)694-1130.

SINCERELY,

JOHN D. GIBSON ASSISTANT STAFF DIRECTOR REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION

ANALYST:	· ·
	Lucy J. Denny
COMMITTEE:	
	NJ State Laborers' PAC
SUBJECT(S):	· ·
	Non-Filing of Reports

DATE:	
	February 18, 2000
CONVERSATION WITH:	
	Robert Garrison

Mr. Garrison called the RAD analyst to ask a few filing questions. He said the former treasurer was sick for a while and eventually passed away. Now he is the new treasurer. During the former treasurer's illness, he was behind on the filing and never filed the YE report. The analyst told Mr. Garrison to file as soon as possible and to let the Commission know the circumstances surrounding the late filing. The analyst also advised he amend the Statement of Organization to change the treasurer.

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	Lucy J. Denny	
COMMITTEE:		
	NJ State Laborers' PAC	
SUBJECT(S):		
	Non-Filing of Reports	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
DATE.		
DATE:	March 20, 2000	•

The Reports Analyst called Mr. Garrison to remind him that the 1999 YE was late and that the Committee was risking possible legal action. Mr. Garrison told the analyst that he would have the report ready with a cover letter changing the treasurer probably by Wednesday (March 22, 2000).

Robert Garrison

CONVERSATION WITH:

ANALYST:	
	Lucy J. Denny
COMMITTEE:]
	New Jersey State Laborers' PAC
SUBJECT(S):]
	Non-Filing of Reports

DATE:		
	March 29, 2000	
CONVERSATION WITH:		· .
	Robert Garrison (voice mail)	·

After not receiving the Committee's 1999 YE report, the analyst attempted to contact Mr. Garrison again. He was on the other line, so the analyst left a message on his voice mail warning him of possible legal action and to call back.

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	Lucy J. Denny	•
COMMITTEE:		
	NJ State Laborers' PAC	
SUBJECT(S):		
	Non Filer of Reports	

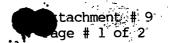
	DATE:	
		April 3, 2000
i	CONVERSATION WITH:	
		Robert Garrison

Mr. Garrison returned the analyst's last phone call on March 30, 2000. He said that the report was ready to send out and to expect it shortly.

The analyst called Mr. Garrison back to check up on the report. Mr. Garrison said the 1999 YE report was mailed out on the previous Friday or Saturday (March 31 or April 1, 2000).







RECEIVED FEDERAL ELECTION NEW JERSEY STATE LABORERS' POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

2000 APR -3 A 11: 13

RAYMOND M. POCINO Chairman

March 30, 2000

Adminstrative Committee
PATRICK C. BYRNE
E. FRANK DIANTONIO
OLIVER GLASS

Treasurer / Administrator

ROBERT S. GARRISON

Ms. Lucy Denny Federal Election Committee 999 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463

Dear Ms. Denny:

Pursuant to our phone conversations, enclosed you will find the NJSLPAC FEC Report that was due in January. I apologize for the lateness of the report, but as I discussed with you, our former treasurer/administrator passed away unexpectedly, leaving the PAC without someone in the office familiar with the FEC filing process. I was appointed the new treasurer/administrator and have taken the time to learn the process and I am confident that this will never happen again. Also, our attorney and accountants have been made an integral part of the process to ensure a timely and accurate filing process for the future. In addition, both our attorney and myself will be present at next week's FEC training program in Washington, DC.

Should you have questions or comments, feel free to call me at the number listed below or on my cellular phone, 908-239-7704.

Thank you for you consideration and understanding with what has a very difficult situation.

Sincerely,

Robert S. Garrison
Treasurer/Administrator

YOU!

REPORT OF RECEIPT DISBURSEMENTS



For Other than An Authorized Committee (Summary Page)

(Summary Page)	RECEIVED FEDERAL ELECTION FEDERAL PROPERTY AND ROOM
1. NAME OF COMMITTEE (in full)	COMMISSION MAIL ROOM
NJ STATE LABORERS POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE	
ADDRESS (number and street) Check if different than previously report	Z000 APR -3 A II: 13
104 INTERCHANGE PLAZA, SUITE 301	2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
	CO0214643
CITY, STATE and ZIP CODE CRANBURY, NJ 08512	3. This committee qualified as a multicandidate
CRANBORT, NJ 00512	committee. (see FEC FORM 1M)
4. TYPE OF REPORT	
(a) April 15 Quarterly Report	Monthly Report Due On:
	February 20 June 20 October 20
July 15 Quarterly Report	March 20 July 20 November 20
October 15 Quarterly Report	April 20 August 20 December 20
	May 20 September 20 January 31
X January 31 Year End Report	Twelfth day report preceding (Type of Election)
July 31 Mid-Year Report (Non-election Year Only)	election on in the State of
	Thirtieth day report following the General Election on
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Termination Report	in the State of
;	
(b) is this Report an Amendment? YES X NO	
SUMMARY	COLUMN A COLUMN B
5. Covering Period	This Period Calendar Year-to-date
6. (a) Cash on Hand January 1, 19 <u>99</u>	\$380661.99
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	\$457697.56
(e) Total December (from Line 10)	6205007 44 6747575 OG

\$395997.44 \$717575.06 Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and \$1098237.05 \$853695.00 Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B) \$367785.19 \$612327.24 Total Disbursements (from Line 30) Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d)) \$485909.81 \$485909.81 Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee For further Information contact: (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D) ... Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW 10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee Washington, DC 20463 (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D) Toll Free 800-424-9530 I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct Local 202-219-3420 and complete. Type or Print Name of Treasurer Robert S. Garrison. Date Signature of Treasurer 3-31-00

NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Report to penalties of 2 U.S.C. §437g.

FEC FORM 3X

(Revised 9/93)